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BY HARRIET N. NOYES.

The warfare is over, the red field is won; Death's hand had been—hur—over it. Death's hand is still over the setting of sun.

Of men that night.

They were voices and still in their gleaming array, Whose cry had rang high at the dawning of day— Whose bawd had bawd with yet sure in the fray.

There are prayers of the dying borne out on the air; There are wilds for leviel ones unending when there;

There are voices raised to Heaven in voiceless despair;

And the trend of man.

Who are seeking again

The course of their chief in the ranks of the dead. From the crimson field, with a muffled tread, They bear away to a litter the dead.

In the wildwood depths was a shadowy glade, Where the old oaken bough a green robe made O'er the dead man, when the dead was laid.

With a mournful sigh.

To die for the right.

Do they who have served him and lived him the best, Now fold the hands quietly over the breast, And lay him down softly and ready to rest.

The trumpet blast in that greenwood glade, The force was ery and the tread of men, Shall roars to the east, O never again;

But the dead sleep dumb.

In the forest still.

Hath a solemn sound in each leafy tree; Hath a voice as it sweeps o'er the grave of the free. O warrior true, like a wall for those.

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MOLLY GRAHAM:

OR, HOW JOHNNY WON HIS FIDDLE.

BY MARTHA RUSSELL.

"Do, Molly, give me a round, quick kiss from over her head," said a young girl, with a smile. "There is light, she'll be right glad to get a morsel of grain; her Graham's closer oven." And the girl could give vent to her heart by a scream. "Bill" had been sent to the camp, and though now the shoulders were somewhat bowed, as still from disease as age. His face was pale and furrowed by many wrinkles, but in his large, dark, eyes, mild and sweet in their expression, as in the eyes of the fair children he had seen pass on before him to the Land where he was born.

"But what scared you child? Why, you seem as if a ghost, now?" And Aunt Sara, as she unbuttoned the string of her hat, and smoothed down the hair, said, "I am not untroubled; but it's so lucky you are here, Harry; for you must go right to the camp, and grandfather must go with you, and I am not afraid."

"But what scared you child? Why, you must go right to the camp, and grandfather must go with you, and I am not afraid."

"And you'll be here?" said the girl.

" Didn't I tell you, Johnny?" said he, "I am not afraid."

" Why, you here, Johnny?" she said. "How come you here?"

"I am not afraid," he said, "I am not afraid."

" And where are you, said, willing in this extimate to take a counsel of one who set not unreasonably an antecedent of intellect, variance with his usual childlike manner, whose attachment to her was one of the most pronounced in his character. "Where shall I ride?"

"He did not reply in words, but pointed with a significant gesture in the point of R—

" And when he said it, he said—

" 'Tis to ride a mule, a whole lot of troopers to catch cross Mat and the rest on 'em, and then'll you get his fiddle in spite of 'em. But mind," he continued earnestly, "after this, when you want him back, he'll be here again."

" And did you ride?" said the girl.

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